## House Resolution No. 655

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to acknowledge the life and lifetime achievements of one of the Show-Me State's most beloved senior citizens; and

Whereas, Maude E. Lynch, a treasured resident of Macon, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her One Hundredth Birthday on March 24, 2004, with a festive celebration to be held in Macon; and

Whereas, Maude Lynch came into this world in Knox County, Missouri, on March 24, 1904, as the tiny infant daughter born to proud and loving parents Emmet and Emma Welsh, who welcomed her into their hearts as a precious gift from God; and

Whereas, Maude graduated from Cameron High School and embarked upon a new and exciting chapter in her life when she married her beloved William P. Lynch, a kind and loving gentleman with whom she shared the love and affection of two fine children, Vincent Shirley Lynch of Macon, and Dolores Gasser of Shawnee, Kansas; and

Whereas, an avid gardener who loved her flowers and herbs, Maude Lynch played an integral role in the educational development of many youngsters as a teacher at a one-room country school, and further distinguished herself as a member of the Shamrock Extension Club, Creative Porcelain Art Club, the Happy China Painters Club, Immaculate Conception Church, and Sacred Heart Altar Society; and

Whereas, Maude Lynch is an accomplished artist whose family is proud to have her beautiful, hand-painted china displayed throughout their homes; and

Whereas, now one hundred years young, Maude Lynch faces the beginning of each day with renewed hope and happiness and continues to lead a good Christian life, sharing her experiences and exciting stories of times gone by with her nine grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and birthday greetings to Maude Lynch as she proudly celebrates one hundred years of achievement, and in wishing her tremendous peace, prosperity, and contentment as she continues her journey along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri centenarian Maude E. Lynch, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by
Representative Christopher Shoemaker
District No. 8
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second
Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and

correct copy of House Resolution No. 655, adopted

February 18, 2004.